

From: [Bassler, Rachel](#)
To: [Borries, Samuel](#)
Cc: [Behnke, Kristina](#)
Subject: RE: US Steel spill in Burns Ditch
Date: Friday, April 14, 2017 1:35:46 PM

FYI, Kristina is standing by to update the website with our soon-to-be-approved update statement
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From: Borries, Samuel
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 1:35 PM
To: Newton, Cheryl
Cc: Bassler, Rachel ; Kelley, Jeff ; Maguire, Andrew ; Mendez, Thomas
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Yes, the link is: response.epa.gov/USSteelHexavalentChrome

We will be updating the website with our most current data late this afternoon or early evening as well as posting additional photos of current activities.

From: Newton, Cheryl
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 1:26 PM
To: Borries, Samuel <borries.samuel@epa.gov>
Cc: Guerriero, Margaret <guerriero.margaret@epa.gov>; Ballotti, Doug <ballotti.douglas@epa.gov>; Nelson, Leverett <nelson.leverett@epa.gov>; Bassler, Rachel <Bassler.Rachel@epa.gov>; Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>; Maguire, Andrew <maguire.andrew@epa.gov>; Mendez, Thomas <mendez.thomas@epa.gov>
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Thanks much. Is the website live now with previous information? Then I can respond and send her the link and let her know she's now on the mailing list.

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On Apr 14, 2017, at 1:20 PM, Borries, Samuel <borries.samuel@epa.gov> wrote:

Cheryl,
We have a draft press statement with HQ now and pending HQ approval will send the statement out. We will add Mayor Freeman to the distribution list. The statement also has the website link for additional information.
Sam.

From: Newton, Cheryl
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 12:40 PM
To: Guerriero, Margaret <guerriero.margaret@epa.gov>; Ballotti, Doug <ballotti.douglas@epa.gov>; Nelson, Leverett <nelson.leverett@epa.gov>; Borries, Samuel <borries.samuel@epa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: US Steel spill in Burns Ditch
FYI - can I get a brief response I can send to Mayor Freeman today? Thanks

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Kaplan, Robert" <kaplan.robert@epa.gov>
Date: April 14, 2017 at 12:14:48 PM CDT
To: "Newton, Cheryl" <Newton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: US Steel spill in Burns Ditch

FYI

From: Karen Freeman-Wilson [<mailto:kfreemanwilson@CI.GARY.IN.US>]
Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 11:56 AM
To: Kaplan, Robert <kaplan.robert@epa.gov>
Subject: US Steel spill in Burns Ditch

Hi Mr. Kaplan,

Hope you are well. It seems like ages since we have spoken but I know you have been very busy with East Chicago and now Portage. I am writing to ask whether you can include me on any written briefings or updates provided to communities relative to the US Steel spill. It appears that this was contained in Porter County but we are concerned about the impact to the beaches in Gary and our water supply. Thanks. Karen

Mayor Karen Freeman-Wilson

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